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Conferences on Churchmanship

New Features and New Timing Combine to Meet Needs of Local Churches

The 1961 Conferences on Churchmanship will be held at the Grants Pass Christian Church, First Christian Church at Eugene, Kern Park Christian Church in Portland, and First Christian Church in Hermiston:

Each conference will last two days. The schedule is as follows: Sept. 16-17, Grants Pass; Sept. 18-19, Eugene; Sept. 20-21, Portland; and Sept. 23-24, Hermiston.

"Our conferences are loaded with outstanding features—and that we are certain," said Wallace Hastings of La Grande, chairman of the membership commission of the State Society, which is sponsoring the conferences.

An important feature at each conference is the session for pastors on ministerial ethics and the session for laymen on church ethics. These groups meet simultaneously at 4:00 P.M.

Another feature will be the training of district and local counselors of Chi Rho youth. Mr. Harold Johnson of Indianapolis will be in charge of the training sessions, which take place during the afternoons for the district counselors and during the second evening of each conference for the local church counselors.

Conferences will begin each day at 2:30 P.M. with an address by Dr. Henry Searle, the executive secretary for the Oregon Christian Missionary Society. At 3:30 P.M. a break is scheduled for coffee and a social time. At 4:00 P.M. comes the dual session for ministers and laymen, followed by a report period from 5:00 to 5:15.

At 6:00 P.M. the banquet begins. Miss Margaret Lawrence, formerly a missionary to China, will be the speaker at the Grants Pass and Eugene banquets. Mrs. Don McGavran will be the speaker at the Portland and Hermiston banquets.

From 7:30 to 8:30 P.M. of the first conference day the group will split up into eight functional committees and join with the leader in learning helpful ideas for planning for the Decade of Decision.

During the second conference day this period will be devoted to simultaneous men's and women's sessions.

The 8:30-9:30 p.m. hour of the first evening will include special music and a message; this hour during the second evening will include a drama and a message.

Dr. Carlton Buck of Eugene will participate in the Grants Pass conference, and Dr. Wayne Green of Salem will share in the Portland, Eugene, and Hermiston conferences.

Other participants include Miss Loma Mae Jones, director of Christian education for Oregon; Sherman Moore, director of evangelism and church development; Mrs. Henry Searle; and Idella Osburn, president of the state CWF.

Training for Youth Counselors Is New Service

MR. HAROLD JOHNSON will be coming to Oregon to meet with counselors of local church youth groups the week of September 16-24. Mr. Johnson has been director of youth work in Indiana for the past several years and has recently accepted the position of national counselor of Church-wide Leadership Development.

The workshops are for both counselors of local church CYF (senior high) and Chi Rho (junior high) groups.

This series is being held in connection with the annual Conferences on Churchmanship. Registration is 50c per person with a banquet each evening at a moderate charge. Schedule for the workshops will be:

2:30—Special training for CYF & Chi Rho District Counselors, state committees and directors of Camp & Conference.

5:00—Report to total conference on Churchmanship assembly.

6:00—Banquet

7:30—Local church counselors' training, both CYF & Chi Rho.

9:30—Dismiss.

Local church counselors will need to be present only for the 7:30-9:30 sessions each of the two days, although they are welcome to attend the banquet at 6:00 each evening. The workshops are being sponsored by the state committees on CYF and Chi Rho, in cooperation with the state Membership Commission, which has set up the Conference on Churchmanship.

A Guest Editorial:

CONFERENCES ON CHURCHMANSHIP

One of the important and helpful activities carried on by the Oregon Christian Missionary Society is the annual Churchmanship Conferences. Last year these proved both successful and helpful. This year they will be held September 16 through 24.

They will begin on the afternoon of the first day and close the evening of the second day. The dates and places are as follows:

September 16-17: Grants Pass

September 18-19: Eugene - First Christian Church

September 20-21: Portland - Kern Park Christian Church

September 23-24: Hermiston - First Christian Church

Later, churches will receive information as to program and personnel. Save the dates; plan to attend.

Medford Beats Budget

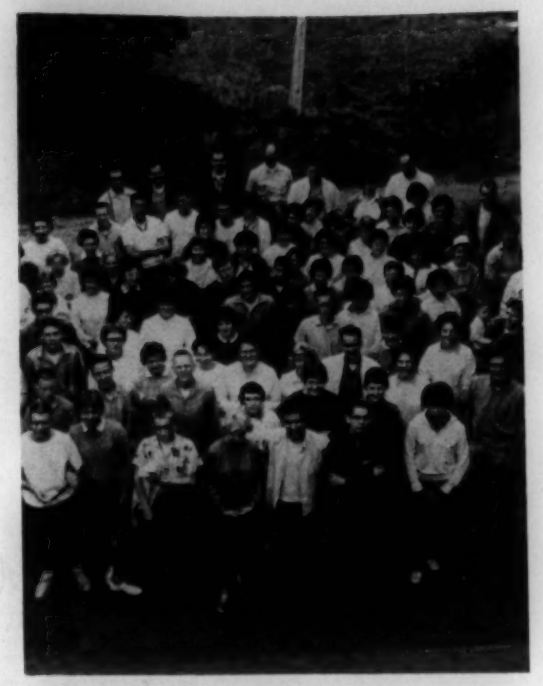
Congratulations to the First Christian Church of Medford on the conclusion of an excellent fiscal year. With a budget of $31,445 receipts were $34,397.99. The Medford church under the direction of Fred Evans has done an excellent job in stewardship education. Its record demonstrates what can happen in a church which promotes stewardship and has a successful every-member canvass. This church also met all of its outreach goals.

News and Picture DEADLINE October 15

CYF Busy In Central Valley

Corvallis youth have been very busy this summer. They started off by sending 17 kids to camp. Every Wednesday they have outings, in which usually about 26 show up. The boys have been playing hard in the Church Baseball League. On July 19-21, 9 CYF'ers and 3 counselors went to Irmabelle Lake. The CYF sponsored a parents' picnic on July 29.

The Albany group had two paper drives in which they made about 60 dollars each time. They have been having around ten on their Wednesday night meetings. Their project this year is called "LET'S LIGHT UP THE STEEPLE, PEOPLE", which means they are going to put floodlights on the steeple. They hope to have this done by the first of January.



NORTHWEST DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Jim Edwards Directs NW Conference

The conference of the Northwest District (formerly Zone 1) was held at Camp Adams near Molalla, Oregon, for all kids of high-school age.

"Adventure in Faith" was the central topic of study and discussion.

The camp was directed by Jim Edwards from the First Christian Church in Hood River. Hazel Fuller, RN, was the camp nurse, Elby Boosinger from the First Christian Church of Forest Grove, was our keynote speaker, Verge Cedergreen, also from Forest Grove, was the camp business manager, who, along with his wife, Norma, helped with the cooking. Miriam Helseth from the Lynchwood Christian Church in Portland was lifeguard and song leader. Our guest missionaries were Keith and June Fleshman, who brought along an added attraction to the week—their small son, Oliver.

The counselors were Roger Davidson —Forest Grove; Esther Edwards — Hood River; Everett Cecil — Cedar Hills; Bob Mulkey—Bend; Wayne Bryant—St. Helens; Dave Kullowatz — Silverton; Lorna Belle Hammer, David Branson—Salem; Pat Kane, Mary Jane Nesby, Elsie Kemmling, John Piper—Portland.

The program for the week consisted of worship, fellowship, singing, two class study periods, recreation, meals and RELAXATION for all who attended. The highlights of the week were the consecration service Friday night and the communion service Saturday morning.

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Northwest District Enlistment Chrmn.

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Oregon Christian Youth Fellowship

GRADUATES AT COVE: left to right, Bruce Schultz, Bud Boyer, Carol Reeder, Lary Gettman, Ray Gettman, and Ron Sherbert.

Cove Graduates Largest Class Yet

Spiritual inspiration! Fun! Wondeful fellowship! All of these were enjoyed by 60 young people and 18 adults at the Cove Conference July 9-15.

This was one of the biggest and best conferences to be held at Cove. It also boasts one of the largest graduating classes, consisting of Bruce Schultz, Guy Gettman, Ray Gettman, and Bud Boyer from Hermiston; Carol Reeder, Pendleton; and Ron Sherbert from Nyssa.

The camp director was Earl Hastings from Nyssa with the assistance of Willard Cromwell from Hermiston. Dr. Guy Wright from NCC was camp pastor, giving many inspirational messages. Dr. Keith Fleshman, camp missionary, who will be leaving for the Congo in March, was a very welcomed addition to the Conference staff.

Some of the highlights of conference were an official camp quartet made up of Rosetta Nash, Carol Reeder, Rollie Harmon, and Bud Boyer; the antics of young "Mike" and his ventriloquist friend; and a baseball game, the final score being the Kampus Kids, 10, and the Faculty, 11. An election of youth officers was held. Those for the coming year are Wayne Larson, Ontario, president; Bob Peacock, LaGrande, vice-president; and Rosetta Nash, Pendleton, secretary.

The climax of the camp was the evening consecration service, followed by the observance of the night of complete silence—a time of prayer and meditation. This was brought to a close by a communion service the following morning.

CYF'er Unites With Oregon Christian

With this issue the CYF'er joins with other contributors of the **Oregon Christian.** Subscribers will, I am sure, look forward to reading the doings of Oregon youth.

John Sanford is editor of the CYF page. He comes to the task with experience in the production of the CYF'er.

Congratulations, to you, John, and to all your hard-working reporters!

Ray S. Hewitt, editor

Sixty at Retreat

The West Central District had its Planning Retreat, on July 28-29; 60 people were present. The special speaker was Dick Lawrence, a Negro minister from Corvallis. His messages were very meaningful and helped out a lot in planning.

We made many plans and got to know a lot of people. This was a sad occasion as well as a happy one. Don Rogers from Eugene First is leaving and going to Pendleton. Don was our speaker at camp and we enjoyed him very much.

Post-Conference Rally

The Southern District held its CYF post-conference rally at Little River, on the 4th and 5th of August. This meeting was held in order to discuss the proposals made at the state planning retreat.

Among the 30 CYF'ers attending, Coquille, Myrtle Point, Myrtle Creek, Winston, Grants Pass, Roseburg, and Medford were represented.

Those attending were divided into six interest groups: Presidents and Vice-Presidents, led by Mel Atkins; Worship, led by Jan Weber; Study, led by Lonette Moulder; Enlistment, led by Julie Latham; Service, led by Jan Thompson; and Recreation, led by Kathy Scott.

Special guests invited down to speak at the conference were Kathy Scott, state CYF president, and Goldie Ruth Wells, state CWFF adviser.

Fifty CYF Attend Little River Camp

The annual CYF summer camp of the Southern District was held at Little River Christian Camp during the week of June 18-23. There were almost fifty CYF'ers attending from Coquille, Myrtle Point, Myrtle Creek, Winston, Grants Pass, Medford, and Roseburg.

Each day was started off with a morning watch. Later the group went to chapel, led by Rev. George Knox, and then the assembly broke up into discussion groups. The topic for discussion of this year's camp was "Adventure In Faith". These groups were led by the camp counselors.

After lunch, the campers spent an hour in a group of their choice. They could choose from "Church Vocations", "Hymns as an Aid to Worship", "Missionary Study", and "Boy-Girl Relations in Courtship and Marriage".

The rest of the afternoons were spent in swimming or other forms of recreation such as a "student vs. faculty" baseball game.

Each evening following a group discussion of daily progress, and games, there were missionary talks by Dr. Gene Johnson around a bonfire.

On the last night, a consecration service was held, followed by a night of silence. The next morning, a communion service was held, a fitting close to a week of Christian fun and fellowship.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

FACULTY STRENGTHENED AT—

Northwest Christian College

by Dr. Ross J. Griffeth

Richard Busic, president of the Northwest Christian College student body organization, Professor John Boosinger, and President Ross J. Griffeth, participated in a workshop at Lake Forest College, near Chicago, in August.

The workshop, conducted by the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges, was financed by grants from various foundations and industries. The expenses of N. C. C. representatives were entirely covered by these grants.

The workshop was concerned with student-faculty-administration relationships. Nearly sixty colleges shared in it.

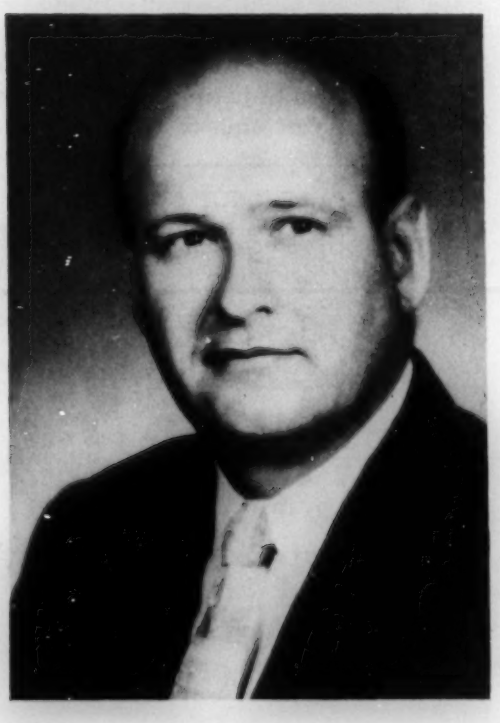
Richard Busic is an N. C. C. senior from the Church of Christ, Milwaukie, Oregon. Professor Boosinger, in addition to his teaching assignment, is Director of Student Affairs. President Griffeth is a member of the Board of Directors of CASC.

Earlier in the summer, Dean William Siefke, President Griffeth, and Mrs. Griffeth participated in another CASC sponsored workshop at Malone College, Canton, Ohio. The Ford Foundation paid the traveling and other expenses connected with the Canton meeting, which was concerned with experiments in college education.

Advanced Degrees

Professor William J. Richardson recently received official word that he had completed all requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree at the University of Oregon. The formalities of public awarding of the degree will be conducted at the June 1962 Commencement of the University. Richardson's doctoral dissertation was entitled, "Alexander Campbell's Use of History in His Apologetical Theology."

PROF. WILLIAM RICHARDSON



Northwest Christian College now has four faculty members who hold the Ph. D. degree and one who holds the D. R. E. degree. Others who teach in the Biblical field hold the M. A. and B. D. degrees. Two faculty members, in addition to the above, hold honorary doctoral degrees. Three members of the Music faculty hold master's degrees.

In view of the fact that the Bachelor of Divinity degree calls for three years of study above a first bachelor's degree, the N. C. C. faculty stands high in the field of academic preparation.

Cost Reduction

One way to reduce the cost of operating Northwest Christian College is to place the College in the church budget for an adequate sum. While no attempt is made to tell any congregation what to do or what it ought to do, an effort has been made to suggest to local congregations goals for giving to the College. In order to support the current program, there is need for a twenty percent increase in contributions during the current year. If every congregation would live up to the best it has done in the past six years, this amount would be realized.

Full Dormitories

All N. C. C. dormitories are filled to capacity this year, and some private housing in the community is being used. N. C. C. still needs help to provide for our next building project which is scheduled to start next spring.

Mosier Has VBS

Dr. John M. Gest, minister at Mosier, reports that the Mosier church held its Vacation Bible School from July 31 through August 4. The topic was "Living for Jesus."

The attendance was from 63 to 71 daily; all but 5 received perfect-attendance pins. Mrs. Lanola Gollyhorn was director, Mrs. John Gest junior teacher, Mrs. Ernest Stranz primary teacher, Mrs. Rose Bailey beginner teacher, and Mrs. Wiley G. Herman superintendent. There were also eight teacher helpers.

Week of the Ministry

October 8-15

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Teaching and Training

By J. Edward Moseley

The first two buildings of the Woodhaven Christian Home for exceptional persons will be a residential unit plus a multi-purpose structure for education, training, and administration.

In teaching children who are mentally deficient or impaired, or those who may also be physically defective, every effort will be made to help them develop within the limits of their natural capacities.

Many persons who will be admitted to Woodhaven (and there are more than 100 children on the waiting list now) may become useful citizens. In order to do so, however, they must have the specialized education and/or training that will be made possible in a fully Christian environment by this new residential home for care and treatment of the National Benevolent Association.

Ground breaking and construction on the 65-acre plot near Columbia, Mo., wait only for sufficient capital funds. Parents of exceptional children and philanthropic foundations are expressing real interest in Woodhaven plans. But churches and individuals who are concerned that "the least of these" may grow within the best possible environment need to relate this important Benevolence thrust of the 1960's to their goals for the Decade of Decision Program of **Advance**.

SOME SUGGESTIONS For Observing the Week of the Ministry October 8-15,1961

1. Plan the worship hour, October 8 to 15, to call attention to the ministry.

2. Distribute the leaflet, "The Church and the High Calling."

3. Churches using the worship bulletins prepared by the United Christian Missionary Society and distributed by the Christian Board of Publication will note that the bulletin for October 8 presents the Week of the Ministry.

4. Plan to present the opportunities in church vocations to the youth of the church.

5. Ask the local committee on guidance and recruitment to program a fellowship dinner during October.

6. Recognize the candidates for church vocations during the week and those from the congregation who are now in active service.

7. Present the "Honored Minister" pin to any who have retired and have not received one. Pins are provided free of charge by the Pension Fund.

8. At the October Board meeting include a report on the work of the Pension Fund.

Clothing Drive Opens

To: Pastors, and Chairmen of Clothing Drives

From: Church World Service Committee (The Rev. Ralph Bowman, Chairman) Oregon Council of Churches.

The need this year for used clothing is greater than it was last year. Last year you contributed, along with 114 communities in Oregon, more than 100,000 pounds of clothing.

Church World Service Department of the National Council of Churches reports that twice as much will be needed this year — and the total poundage needed will exceed 14,000,000.

Your immediate attention to the details of organization and the obtaining and distribution of materials will insure success in the drive.

You and your church will find deep satisfaction in knowing full well that you have made every effort to help the needy millions to survive the rigors of cold winter months — and all this in the name and spirit and compassion of the Christ who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

WITH THE STATE SECRETARY

Summer time is not "slump time" in the state work. Since the State Convention at Turner your secretary has spent two and a half weeks (including train-travel time) at an Institute on Agency Administration at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Indiana. This was a very worthwhile institute; your secretary should be a better administrator for being there.

Pulpit engagements have been: two services at Portland First with excellent attendance and interest; Myrtle Point, which under the leadership of Durman Love is making good progress; and Cedar Hills (my home church) while the minister was on vacation. At Coquille a team of state workers shared in their Fifth-Sunday Rally. Richard Flood, our Campus minister at Corvallis, my wife Ruth, and yours truly formed a team which presented our total cooperative outreach goals to the church of the area. The work of NCC, NBA, Unified Promotion, CWF, and State work was presented.

Besides many office conferences, correspondence, and general planning for our state work, I have visited with Mrs. Ray of Vernonia Christian Church, shared in the Planning Conference with the Lebanon Christian Church, together with Mr. Oscar Cooper of NBA and Kenneth Johnston of Kern Park representing NCC, presented our total outreach goals at The Dalles, was guest at the Astoria CWF, and met with a committee from the Rockaway Christian Church trying to solve one of their problems on building.

As I go around the State I find dedicated ministers and laypeople who are striving to advance the cause of Christ. Truly, as we labor together for the cause of Christ His work will move forward.

Henry L. Searle

Willamina Youth at Camp

Ray Smith, minister at Willamina, reports that eleven young people from his church attended the Junior High Youth Camp at Winema and that he was on the teaching staff as well as dean of boys. Five others from his congregation were on the camp staff.

The Willamina church is planning an "All Church Rally Day" on September 17.

DONALD H. SMITH

Roseburg Westside Calls New Minister

Donald H. Smith, who comes to Oregon from Phillips University in Enid, Oklahoma, is the new minister of the Westside Christian Church in Roseburg. He began his new duties on July 1.

He received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in May of this year, following three years of graduate study at Phillips. He received the B. Th. degree at Northwest Christian College in 1956. He is a native of Salem, Oregon.

Rev. Smith has had ministerial experience at First Christian Church in Boise, Idaho, and in Hunter, Oklahoma. He is an accomplished organist and pianist, with concert experience in the Northwest and Midwest.

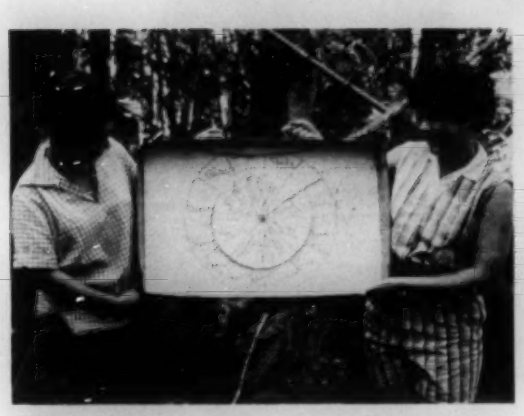
He has been active in mental health programs and has engaged in extensive counseling programs in youth and marriage problems. He has served as a member of the board of directors of Mental Health Associations in each city in which he has lived.

He is currently student body president of the Graduate Seminary of Phillips University.

The Roseburg church, under his leadership, has installed a novel device known as "Dial a Devotion", which will enable the people of the Roseburg area to hear a devotional message on their own telephones at any hour of the day or night. The message consists of a passage of scripture with some application and a brief prayer.

Rev. Smith is married, and he and his wife have three children.

Reports from Camping Program



CINDY STITT (right) and friend hold "work sheet" for camp chore assignments for the "Maples" camp unit at White Branch.

Chi Rho Camp Zone 2

Chi Rho Camp for Zone 2 was held at White Branch on the McKenzie, June 18-24. The theme was "Stewardship of God's World." In attendance were 76 Chi Rho youth, 16 counselors, and 7 staff members. Additional resource personnel were two young men from the State Wildlife Commission and a district forest ranger.

Among the features of the camp were the angelus messages by Don Rogers of Eugene; the feast and sharing time; and the communion service.

"Perhaps the unique experience," said Mrs. Ansel Hyland, director of the camp, "was being part of a truly Christian community that worked, studied, and played, always in the light of God's word and yet enjoyed to the fullest."

Mrs. Hyland attributed the success of the camp to the consecration of the leaders. In preparation for the camp four staff meetings were held; these were attended by nearly everyone. The first was an all-day set-up meeting in the spring. The second was an all-day session on the campgrounds, for demonstration and practicing of camping skills. The third involved a day and a half on the grounds immediately before the camp began; the last involved an evaluation period following camp at the director's home.

The following were on the camp faculty: Don Snell, Jean Lesher, Wendell Wagler, Thelma Siefke, Ron Eldridge, Norma Heding, Allen Horn, Barbara Johnson, Gilbert Knox, Mary Danon, David Downing, Betty Biggers, Paul Pritchard, Don Rogers, Cleo Cross, Marilyn Peck, Verna Stitt, Willetta Woodson, Jay Coster, Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Hyland, and Ansel Q. Hyland.

COUNSELOR RAY HELSETH inspects food in barrel oven as dumplings are added to campers' stew and assistant puts wood on fire.

Chi Rho, Zone 1

The abundance of natural resources provided by God and man's duty to preserve and perpetuate them was evident in each of the six outdoor campsites of Zone 1 Chi Rho Camp at Arrah Wanna on Mt. Hood.

Planning, clearing, preparing, and living in the sites were the experiences of the week through which the young people learned the proper use of natural resources as well as practicing living and working together as Christians in a Christian Community.

Counselors were Arn Ramer and Carol Livingston; Raymond Helseth and Juanita Gwinn; John Piper and Glenda McBride; Mel Miller and Lynnette Rhay; Dave Branson and Janice Parks; Jack Naff and Donna Thiel.

Miriam Helseth was counselor of music and Elva Holden business manager. Eight churches provided leadership for sixty-nine campers representing fifteen churches.

Mrs. Francis Kane, Director

Young Adults Meet

A special conference for young adults, single or married, was held on Labor Day Weekend, September 1-4, at Leewood Methodist Camp, west of Sandy, Oregon, on Deep Creek.

The theme for the camp was "The Nature of the Church." Several messages were presented on this theme, accompanied by discussion. Among the speakers were Elby Boosinger of Forest Grove, Don Rogers and John Boosinger of Eugene, Glyn Adsit of Corvallis, and Henry Searle, executive secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society.

In addition to the messages, time was devoted to worship and devotional periods. The afternoons were left free for fun and recreation.

John Martin, pastor at Grants Pass, was the director of the camp.

JUNIOR RESIDENT CAMP, DISTRICT 3

For some people, both children and adults, the summer of 1961, will be remembered as the beginning of junior camping in Oregon, under the sponsorship of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society. If you are a camper, you know something of the job it is to get ready to live in the out-of-doors for a week.

Imagine then the enormous task of preparing for 22 junior-age boys and girls for a week of camping at the new site, purchased recently by the Society. The Camp was held July 16-22 at Mountaindale. This was primitive, creative camping.

The first big step of preparing the site, after securing the go-ahead from the campsite committee, was the providing of four latrines by various churches. These were erected by a group of workers led by Ray Bobbitt and Art Holden.

The water system had to be completely reworked. This task was assumed by members of the Forest Grove Church under the direction of Roger Davidson. Roger also directed the clearing of three small campsites for the living quarters of the boys and girls.

The three small sites were promptly named, by the campers, Island Paradise (near the island in Dairy Creek south of the bridge); Alder Creek, for a small stream running through the site; and Coyotes, and apt name for the third group, as we soon discovered.

The house had to be thoroughly cleaned and painted, a new ceiling installed, and a new front and back porch constructed in order to be usable as a dining room for the camp. Groups from Lebanon, Corvallis, and Portland churcher worked on the house. Ray Helseth and Ray Eccols built the porches.

Then came the task of assembling equipment. Ed Brabham of Forest Grove provided a stove and refregerator for the camp. Violet Heckert, of Salem, chaired a committee which solicited church members in District 3 for all the equipment to run the camp. This included 12 tents, silverware, tin cans for cooking, 1000 TV dinner trays for serving, cooking equipment, water cans, ice chests, tables, benches, axes, shovels, tarps, boxes and vegetable peelers. It was a tremendous job collecting the equipment and then returning it to its proper owner. Mrs. E. Allen was instrumental in securing and disbursing the equipment.

Equipment all had to be borrowed this

year, as sufficient money did not come into the Society to allow the budgeted amount for junior-camp supplies.

The churches of District 3, particularly Salem-First, Dallas, McMinnville and Amity, decided last fall to try to have a resident camp. The boys and girls and the adult leadership came from this area.

Two training sessions were held for the adult leaders, prior to the final training on the campsite the day before the campers arrived. Training was held in interpreting the curriculum, **God at Work in His World,** camping skills, music, crafts, and the philosophy of church camping.

The adults taking part were counselors: Ladd Howard and Greta Nightingale (McMinnville), Harold Smith (Amity), Alice Sawyer, George and Dorothy Fleshman (Salem); directors: Loma Mae Jones and Margaret Hewitt; business manager Ray Hewitt (Corvallis); cook: Amy Horn (Corvallis); helper: Gayle Brewer (Amity). Additional help on opening and closing day was supplied by Allen Horn (Corvallis) and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Cedergreen (Forest Grove). The Cedergreens supplied the camp with a jeep for the week. Miss Nightingale served also as camp nurse.

The boys and girls were particularly happy over certain experiences provided by the campsite: swimming in Dairy Creek; hunting fossils in the rock quarry; observing the beaver-dam areas; picking blackberries; hiking through areas where there was no trail; a ride in the jeep; observing the owls whose home seemed to be near Alder Creek Camp. One evening a star party was held, led by George Fleshman, who had been a navigator in the Air Force.

At least one meal a day was cooked out by each group, and some chose to cook out both breakfast and dinner in addition to the sack lunch each day.

The boys and girls showed all indications of enjoying this experience of living out-of-doors in a relaxed atmosphere under Christian leadership.

Arlo Bristow Serving Oceanlake Church

On July 16 Arlo B. Bristow began serving the Oceanlake Christian Church as ad interim minister.

Junior Day Camp

District 4 (Albany, Lebanon, and Crabtree) held a day camp for juniors (4th, 5th and 6th graders) at the Wheeler farm on the Santiam River outside of Lebanon the last week in July.

Ralph Isaacson, pastor at Eastside Albany, was director. There were 36 boys and girls enrolled. The theme for the Camp was "Living with Others."

Other adults serving in the camp were, as counselors: Bunny Isaacson and Connie Cosby (Albany); Dave Gilson, Dave Downing, Verna Wheeler and Verna Stitt (Lebanon); nurse and business manager: Zella Mae Lasswell (Lebanon); and helper: David Lasswell (Lebanon).

JAN AND JIM DYSON attending a Corvallis C.Y.F. picnic in honor of Nathan Keith, who left the States in midsummer for a year of study and travel in Europe.

Hake Brothers Ordained

Three brothers were simultaneously ordained ministers in the Christian Church at Fall Creek. They are Ernest Hake, 38, once a mechanic; George Hake, 35, former millworker; and Harold Hake, 33, ex-logger. All are married and have children.

The ordination sermon was delivered by Howard Hake, pastor of the Christian Church at Nez Perce, Idaho.

Ernest and Harold are graduates of Northwest Christian College. George is scheduled for graduation next year.

Their desire for the ministry stems from their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hake of Fall Creek. The father, a retired millworker, had wanted to be a minister himself.

An Open Letter From Goldie Ruth

The giving to Christian World Friendship Fund this year placed Oregon on the Honor Roll. Oregon stood thirteenth among the states in increased giving over last year by 3.7%. Of the twenty highest per capita givers Oregon stood seventeenth with $0.84.

The Older Youth gave	$ 420.13
C.Y.F.	3,211.73
Chi Rho	880.82
Total	$4,512.68

This is $503.20 more than was given last year.

Plans have been made for 1961-1962 goals. It costs $16.31 a minute to support the sixty-nine agencies in Unified Promotion. (C.W.F.F. is the "trade name" for all youth giving to Unified Promotion.) They have set their goal for FIVE HOURS of complete support of this work around the world, which is $4,893.00. Each district has a goal in the number of minutes, and each local youth group will decide the number of minutes for which it will be responsible.

How many minutes can you as an adult support? How many minutes is your whole church serving? The sick and hungry in body and spirit depend on all of us.

Sincerely your for Christ,
Goldie Ruth Wells
Adult Advisor for Oregon C.W.F.F.

NEW TEACHING AIDS

St. Louis, Mo.—Robert L. Bell, Christian Board of Publication, today urged Christian church schools to order newly revised materials of the Bethany Graded Lessons for the fall quarter as soon as possible.

The first set of the new materials will be in use begining in October, when revised courses for grades one and four will be introduced. Revisions will be introduced each quarter until the entire primary and junior curriculum, grades one through six, has been issued in revised form.

All materials will have a 'new look'. Pupil's books will be more durable. Activity sheets will be bigger and have new pictures.

Write Christian Board of Publication, Box 179, St. Louis 66, Missouri for information.

Treasurer Submits Financial Report of

OUR TASK IS STILL UNFINISHED

By David M. Teeter, C. P. A., Treasurer
Oregon Christian Missionary Society

Elsewhere in this issue are reported the balance sheet, the receipts and disbursements, and the notes to the financial statements for the Oregon Christian Missionary Society for the year June 30, 1961. This is the same report which has been submitted to Mr. Richard C. Kneeland, Certified Public Accountant, auditor for the Society, who should shortly issue his report thereon. The statements have been prepared by Mrs. Jean Walker, bookkeeper for the Society, in cooperation with the treasurer.

This report tells a story of progress, of crisis, and some honest soul searching done by the Society officers this past year. Some might say that we as an organization did too much planning, and others would say that the Oregon churches did not rise to the challenge as they should have. It is thought by others that ours was an experience realized by many states besides our own, but the cold stark facts are that we fell way short of our goals. At times we feared that we might even have to cut staff, but we survived without surgery, and this in itself is some accomplishment.

Comparisons do not mean too much when we realize that we merged our campus work this year with other phases of our state work. Also, we undertook seriously two capital fund drives this year, one for New Church Advance and the other for the new Mountaindale Campsite. The success of both of these ventures is evident in the use of the Mountaindale campsite this summer and the rising structure of the Lynchwood Christian Church at Portland.

We also have a full-time pastor on duty at Lynchwood with a congregation ready to move into the new structure as soon as it is completed. The campus work, which has been underfinanced in previous years, placed a terrific strain on the finances, but this too we survived without seriously impairing the program at Corvallis and Eugene. In fact, we started new work at both Portland State College and Monmouth during the year. These accomplishments result in the progress shown in the following account:

Receipts other than borrowed funds

1957-1958	$ 54,016.58
1958-1959	65,097.53
1959-1960	89,582.92
1960-1961	123,135.77

The 1960-1961 amount comes in sharper focus when we realize that this compares to a budget originally of $134,760.00. Our budget for 1961-1962 is more realistic since we based it upon receipts in 1960-1961 and reasonable expectations in excess thereof. If Oregon churches are going to respond to the Decade of Decision promotion, our goal for 1961-1962 of $140,375.00 should be easily reached.

The year-end report of Unified Promotion on the giving of Oregon churches shows total receipts for distribution of $141,128.14 and designated gifts of $14,781.25. This did not include New Church Advance Funds, which were treated different than in previous years, since 70% of such funds are retained by the state of origin and 30% are shared by the national agencies (10% to finance churches sponsored by the United Christian Missionary Society, 10% to finance churches in foreign lands, and 10% to the Board of Church Extension to supplement the interest-free loan fund of that organization).

The O. C. M. S. received 42.6240% of the receipts in Oregon to supplement our program income and designated items. Approximately two-thirds of this came into our state office at Portland, and the remaining one-third came from Unified Promotion offices in Indianapolis. The remaining 57.3760% was distributed to the United Christian Missionary Society, the Pension Fund, the International Convention, the Board of Higher Education, the Board of Church Extension, Disciples Historical Society, and other organizations cooperating in Oregon's distribution.

The giving this year of $141,128.14 compares to $124,612.00 a year ago and reflects to some extent the addition of campus giving of $11,732.80 and the addition of International Convention giving of approximately $2,000.00. When these facts are taken into account, one can understand why the Oregon Christian Missionary Society's share of this increase was almost negligible since we had to absorb a deficit of almost $1,000.00 in campus work at Eugene and Corvallis, which was caused by expenditures on those campuses in excess of receipts.

Total expenditures for the year ended June 30, 1961, amounted to $119,051.50, resulting in some improvement in finances at the year end. This compared to $104,437.73 in the previous year. Analytical percents of these expenditures are as follows, compared to the previous year:

	1960-61	1959-60
Evangelism and new churches	26.0%	47.1%
Christian education including camps and conferences	21.6%	19.9%
Administration:		
State Secretary and office assistance	13.5%	13.9%
Other administrative expenses	4.7%	6.7%
Repayment of loans	10.3%	5.7%
Oregon Christian expense	3.4%	3.6%
Certain designated items	0.9%	1.7%
Commission expenses and program including Churchmanship Conferences and Oregon Assembly	2.4%	1.4%
Campus work at state colleges	17.2%	....%
Totals	100.0%	100.0%

As we prepare for the year ahead, may we plan together to raise our sights for Oregon, for greater churches in each community and a greater outreach for each church. We ask that each church and each church member study these reports and then examine their own giving to determine whether they cannot do more. We are greatly in debt to Dr. Searle, our new state secretary, who has done wonders in his first year in Oregon learning to know the ministers, the churches, and the people. He supervises nine staff members as well as the work of eleven commissions. He also must represent the Disciples of Christ in Oregon in inter-church relationships, ecumenical concerns, and at national meetings of brotherhood workers. As treasurer I have watched him struggle with this enormous task and feel very fortunate that we have such a man on the job. It is hoped that the churches of Oregon will respond vigorously to his leadership in the coming year.

Oregon Christian Missionary Society

BALANCE SHEET, JUNE 30, 1961 Exhibit A

	Operating Fund	New Church Development Fund	Permanent Fund	Campsite & Property Funds
ASSETS				
Cash in bank — unrestricted	$4,409.23	$ 99.65	$	$
restricted	1,211.41	2,324.70		
Interest receivable	223.99			
Pledge outstanding on deficit drive	250.00			
Investments:				
New churches (estimated) (Note 1)		157,400.67		
Permanent Fund (Note 2)				
Cash in transit			410.62	
Cash in saving account			6,216.44	
Notes receivable			21,599.77	
Campsite Fund (Note 3)				
Cash held in Operating Fund				283.54
Cash in savings account				1.00
Notes receivable				244.00
Campground — Mountaindale				18,005.50
Furniture and fixtures—at cost				5,506.34
Deferred expense		292.88		
Total Assets	$6,094.63	$160,117.90	$28,226.83	$24,040.38
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
Designated items not yet disbursed	$ 767.82	$	$	$ 18.18
Payroll deductions and other encumbrances	217.78	292.88	205.81	
Contract payable on campsite 6%, Payable $105.49 per month				12,688.44
Deficit notes payable — non-interest bearing:				
Owed to Permanent Fund	2,000.00			
Owed to Campsite Fund	244.00			
Deferred income — interest not yet received	223.99			
Contract payable — Forbes Contract — incurred in acquisition of land for Lynchwood Church — 6%, payable in two payments: 8/1/61 and 8/1/62		5,325.00		
Church construction — notes payable (Note 4):				
Board of Church Extension		36,055.03		
Permanent Fund		1,198.13		
Excess of income over expense	2,641.04	117,246.86	28,021.02	11,333.76
Total Liabilities and Equity	$6,094.63	$160,117.90	$28,226.83	$24,040.38

CASH SUMMARY

Year Ended June 30, 1961

Cash in bank, July 1, 1960	$ 1,337.95	$ 565.91	$ 5,907.69	$1,893.88
Less: Encumbrances	451.25	none	22.08	none
Cash less encumbrances	886.70	565.91	5,885.61	1,893.88
Receipts	94,369.68	42,929.24	10,035.64	4,036.59
	95,256.38	43,495.15	15,921.25	5,930.47
Disbursements	90,621.34	41,070.80	9,500.00	5,664.11
Cash less encumbrances	4,635.04	2,424.35	6,421.25	266.36
Encumbrances	985.60	none	204.81	18.18
Cash in bank, June 30, 1961	$ 5,620.64	$ 2,424.35	$ 6,216.44	$ 284.54

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 1961

NOTE 1

The items "INVESTMENTS — New Churches" includes obligation incurred by action of the Society's Board of Directors, obligating Society funds for repayment of loans made for new church construction. These investments generally constitute a gift to the sponsored church and also includes cash contributions given through and by the Society for pastoral support and other items. In most instances the deed of the new church is retained by the Society until all support is terminated, and then the deed is given to the new church subject to a trust agreement which protects the Society's general book of accounts as follows:

Cedar Hills Christian Church, Beaverton	$ 47,353.05
Lynchwood Christian Church, Portland	27,507.40
Westside Christian Church, Roseburg	25,000.00
Southgate Christian Church, Portland	22,370.00
Corvallis 2nd Church, Corvallis project	12,000.00
Eastside Christian Church, Albany	9,620.00
Allison Park Christian Church, Eugene	7,147.03
First Christian Church, John Day	6,403.19
	$157,400.67

NOTE 2

The Permanent Fund is used exclusively as a loan fund to finance the purchase of land and capital improvements for established or projected churches. Cash is on deposit with the Board of Church Extension of Disciples of Christ and is currently earning 3½% interest. Funds on loan are secured by a mortgage and currently earn four to six percent interest. All interest earned is credited to the operating fund for use in the over-all program of the Society. As of June 30, 1960, the following loans were outstanding:

Bethel Christian Church, Eugene	$ 899.52
Cedar Hills Church, Beaverton	1,200.00
Glenwood Christian Church, Eugene	2,069.54
Lowell Christian Church	2,080.79

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O.C.M.S. — Lynchwood project, Portland	1,198.13
Portland First — Lynchwood loan	7,500.00
Prineville Church of Christ	4,644.87
Westside Christian Church Roseburg	800.00
Seaside Christian Church	1,206.92
	$21,599.77

NOTE 3

The Campsite Fund was established two years ago to acquire a permanent camp site. Funds on loan are non-interest bearing and due from the O.C.M.S. Operating Fund. This is being paid from funds received in the recent debt retirement program.

NOTE 4

As discussed in Note 1, the Society's Board of Directors does, from time to time, obligate the Society to repay loans made for new church construction. This account represents amounts still owing on behalf of the following churches:

Cedar Hills Christian Church Beaverton - Loan # 196— interest free	$ 4,245.00
5% loan # 4944	5,122.57
Westside Christian Church, Roseburg - 5% loan #4886	15,229.47
Southgate Christian Church, Portland - Loan # 231 — interest free	5,205.00
5% loan # 5146	6,252.99
Owed to Board of Church Extension of Disciples of Christ	$36,055.03
Owed to Permanent Fund on account of loan made to finance land purchase for Lynchwood project, Portland - 6% loan	1,198.13
	$37,253.16

In addition, the Society is contingently liable on church construction notes being paid by the Cedar Hills, the Southgate, and Garden Road, Salem, Christian Churches in the total amount of $8,-786.96. These loans are owing to the Board of Church Extension of Disciples of Christ and are being paid by the respective churches.

Comparative Operating Fund Receipts and Disbursements

Exhibit B

	Years Ended June 30 1961	1960
RECEIPTS:		
Gifts and Appropriations:		
Offerings direct from churches & individuals	$39,030.85	$26,037.10
Distribution from Unified Promotion receipts	19,514.81	25,481.66
Education appropriation from U.C.M.S.	3,300.00	3,300.00
Campus appropriation from U.C.M.S.	1,475.00	
American Baptist appropriation	1,500.00	
Earned Income:		
Interest earned on Permanent Fund	992.87	1,193.03
Rentals on films and filmstrips	141.61	117.50
Sales of books and consignment profits	140.70	135.00
Income from property	1,950.83	
Staff field receipts	330.85	94.27
Program Income:		
Campus Commission	2,659.86	
Education Commission	12,607.05	10,921.85
Membership Commission	2,612.42	2,642.38
Ministry Commission	323.25	
Social Action Commission		16.80
Stewardship Commission	555.00	
World Outreach Commission	194.17	267.54
Other Receipts:		
Refunds from new churches	1,200.00	1,200.00
Proceeds from loans	5,000.00	
Miscellaneous receipts *	840.11	686.93
Total Receipts	$94,369.68	$72,094.06
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Administration		
Salaries, travel expenses, and pensions	$31,906.61	$31,342.90
Office expenses and equipment	3,973.90	4,259,52
Appropriations for new churches	11,150.00	13,732.50
Oregon Christian — state paper	3,993.15	3,774.52
General administrative expenses	1,320.29	1,256.47
Program Expenses:		
Campus Commission:		
Corvallis Christian House *	9,278.40	
Eugene Christian House *	8,696.67	
Portland State College—Cooperative Campus Christian Ministry	2,500.00	
Education Commission:		
Chi Rho Camps	3,988.54	4,741.91
CYF Conferences	4,352.01	2,366.38
World Fellowship Youth Meets — Chi Rho & CYF	1,888.27	1,782.41
Other	2,773.41	4,633.68
Evangelism Commission	148.52	452.40
Membership Commission	825.24	399.59
Ministry Commission	266.40	71.10
Property Commission	71.19	
Social Action Commission	83.27	225.65
Stewardship Commission	171.42	28.00
World Outreach Commission	180.45	237.04
Worship Commission	53.60	22.42
Miscellaneous		85.00
Payment on loan ($2,000.00 still owing)	3,000.00	2,521.57
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$90,621.34	$71,933.06

* Includes $544.42 of designated items in 1961.

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Comparative New Church Development Fund Receipts and Disbursements

Exhibit C

	Years ended June 30 1961	1960
RECEIPTS		
Gift and Appropriations:		
Offerings direct from churches & individuals	$26,111.24	$14,429.64
Other offerings and appropriations	675.00	
Other Receipts:		
Loans for capital purchases	15,500.00	15,564.82
Refunds from new churches	643.00	
Income from real property		519.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$42,929.24	$30,513.46
DISBURSEMENTS		
Property and Building Purchases:		
For Lynchwood, Portland	2,295.00	15,374.31
For new Corvallis Church		12,000.00
Salary, pension & car allowance—Lynchwood pastor	4,150.00	
New Church Advance—distribution to Bd. of Ch. Ext. and U. C. M. S.	3,950.70	
Other Disbursements:		
Repayment of loans	29,084.15	1,276.00
Miscellaneous disbursements	1,590.95	1,297.24
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$41,070.80	$29,947.55

CAMPSITE FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIPTS	
Gifts and Appropriations:	
Offerings direct from churches & individuals	$ 3,408.37
Repayment of loans	628.22
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$ 4,036.59
DISBURSEMENTS	
Down payment on Campsite	$ 4,933.27
Payments on Campsite	527.45
Other items—development of campsite, etc.	203.39
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$ 5,664.11

COMPARATIVE OTHER FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIPTS		
Over-and-above funds for use by O.C.M.S.:		
Offerings to apply on debt retirement	$ 628.22	$ 823.79
Permanent Fund loan payments received	1,657.68	2,790.23
Withdraw from Permanent Fund savings for loan	9,500.00	9,564.82
Over-and-above funds for others:		
Gifts to be forwarded by O.C.M.S.	1,825.59	1,375.72
State Men's Work Fund	474.67	340.71
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$14,086.16	$14,895.27
DISBURSEMENTS		
Over-and-above funds for use by O.C.M.S.:		
Payments made on debt amounts due	$ 628.22	$ 823.79
Permanent Fund payments deposited in savings	1,634.36	2,778.96
Permanent Fund loans made	9,500.00	9,564.82
Over-and-above funds for others:		
Gifts forwarded by O.C.M.S.	1,129.59	1,375.72
State Men's Work fund	437.44	357.61
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$13,329.61	$14,900.90

THE CHURCHES ARE ASKING . . .

Frequently a church asks, "Why doesn't our church grow like others?" In the discussion which follows, the group generally comes to the conclusion that: "If we just had a change in ministry, things would be better." Is this the answer to why a church does not grow? Let us take a look at the church.

There are two elements in the church — one the divine, the other human. On the divine side we have God the creator and father of all mankind; Jesus Christ the son and the saviour of all men who would have all men to come unto Him; the Holy Spirit, the guide, comforter, the one to convict us when we sin. Finally we have the Bible, our guide book. There is nothing wrong with the divine side of the church.

As we look at the human side of the church, we see that it is composed of individuals like you and me, the minister, the lay people of the church. If the church does not grow, the fault is to be found on this side of the church. Sometimes the church does not grow because we expect the other fellow to do the work.

We stand and criticize and find fault and ask the question: "Why doesn't somebody do something?" Too often as ministers and lay people we are concerned about the shortcomings of others. Like Peter of old we say, "Lord, what about this man?" (John 21:21). We show a keen concern about the activities or lack of activities of others. Do we hear the reply of Jesus, "What is that to you? Follow me." (John 21:22).

When each member of the church assumes his responsibility and works together with others, when the minister and the lay people formulate plans and then carry out those plans, the church will grow.

Why doesn't our church grow? Do some serious thinking about the situation if your church is not growing. Look at yourself; spend time in prayer; then let minister and lay people get together, formulate plans for the advancement of the Kingdom of God, and then carry out plans. Your church then will grow.

New Curriculum

A new curriculum for youth evening fellowship groups will go into use in Christian Churches across the United States and in Canada on September 17. The plan is for all groups to begin the program simultaneously.

H. LAWRENCE PORTER

Three Ministers Officiate at Porter Services

Funeral services were held in Hood River on July 24 for H. Lawrence Porter, veteran minister of the Christian Churches. Participating in the service was Charles Addleman, former executive secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, as well as local ministers Leo Horner and Jim Edwards.

Rev. Porter was campus minister at Oregon State University for five years, retiring in 1959. Oregon pastorates included Redmond, Dufur, and Valley Christian of Hood River. He also served churches in California and Montana. Porter entered the ministry and was ordained in 1932 after a successful career in banking.

A highlight of his ministry at Valley Christian was a program of teaching the Bible in public schools for a period of five years. He taught 27 classes in five schools, reaching an average of 800 pupils per year. During this time his congregation at Valley Christian twice received rural church awards.

Rev. Porter is survived by his widow, Zelda May of Hood River; one son, H. Lawrence Porter, Jr. of La Puente, California; five daughters, Helen Cummins of Oxnard, Calif., Charlotte Anderson of Salinas, Calif., Olive May Hastings of Nyssa, Ore., Jennie Hill of Weiser, Ida., and Dorothy Porter of Hood River.

NEWS OF CHRISTIAN STUDENT CENTERS

By Dulcina Elliott

Almost time for students to leave home for college!

What is your church doing to help prepare them for their new mode of living, for choosing new friends, for deciding whether or not to join a Greek organization, for facing new temptations, and for confronting new ideas in the classroom? Mothers spend much time helping daughters plan and prepare suitable clothes. What are pastors, youth workers, and concerned laymen doing to fortify their faith so that they can face all these new and baffling situations and yet maintain their contact with the church?

Counseling individuals is the best possible help. Write to the Christian student centers and local churches in college towns to introduce the student to the church leaders BEFORE the students leave home. Observe Go-to-College Sunday on September 10 with appropriate and impressive consecration service for those going away from home. Follow them with letters, church bulletins, and even occasional visits. But PLEASE LET THE CAMPUS MINISTERS KNOW WHO ARE ENROLLING AT OREGON STATE, UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, PORTLAND STATE, and the Colleges of Education. Give some indication of the students' interests, talents, abilities.

SEND STUDENT NAMES

Send names and addresses of U. of O. students to Mrs. Dulcina Elliott, Christian Student Center, 736 East Sixteenth Street, Eugene, Oregon.

Send names and address of O.S.U. students to Rev. Richard Flood, Christian Student Center, 2305 Monroe Street, Corvallis.

Send names and address of P.S.C. students to Rev. Ray Helseth, 3252 S.E. 177th Street, Portland.

Send names aand address of Eastern Oregon College students to First Christian Church, 901 Pensylvania Street, La Grande, and of Oregon College of Education students to United Campus Christian Fellowship, Oregon College of Education, Monmouth.

Dulcina Elliott, Campus Minister at Eugene

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harter have moved into Eugene Christian House as hosts succeeding the Larry Bingamans, who left August for the Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis.

During Summer School at U. of O. Christian church students joined with Wesley Foundation for Sunday discussion groups, particularly on Christian Problems in Other Lands, and for Thursday evening Vespers led by the Rev. Don Rogers on "The Church". Students are remembering their Christian stewardship responsibilities by contributing a Summer Day's Wages toward the student budget under the leadership of Karon Gregg of Bend.

August 25-31, Orin Bruton, regional DSF president, will attend the executive committee of the Merged student groups at Monmouth, Illinois. Dick Flood goes as regional adult representative, also. Dulcina Elliott attended the joint meeting of the Campus Ministers at the same place in July.

Sunday, September 17, at 5 p.m. Christian House will entertain all Students to meet the new ones in the big annual outdoor supper which is held in the back yard. Ask any students you know to save the date now. Introduction of student officers and of ministers of the several Christian churches of the area will take place in an informal welcoming program.

The theme chosen for next fall's program is "My Faith — Is It Relevant on Campus?" Weekday and Sunday events will develop many phases of this pertinent question. See that the students from your family and from your church share in these studies and the fellowship they bring.

The nationally published folder on the Campus Ministry distributed at the Turner Convention is available in quantity for distribution in churches, women's groups, etc. Write one of the campus ministers for copies.

Richard Flood, Campus Minister at Corvallis

The exterior of the Christian Student Center at Corvallis is receiving a much-needed painting. The American Baptists of Oregon are contributing the paint, and Christian churches in the Corvallis region are providing the labor.

The American Baptists, who are cooperating with the Disciples of Christ in the Christian Student Center at Corvallis, have also increased their annual contribution to the support of the campus ministry.

Rev. and Mrs. Richard Flood have a new addition to their family: Elaine, born in July.

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

By Idella Osburn

The Second Quadrennial Assembly, held in Lafayette, Indiana, on campus of Purdue University is now history, but its memory lingers on in the heart and mind of each person who was privileged to attend.

It is impossible to relate the thrill, the depth of soul-searching or the self-evaluation of the drama-packed program that confronted each woman there. Decisions ! ! ! It is our assumption that not one of the 27 Oregon women who attended will ever again take lightly her role as a Christian woman.

Woman's Role Today

We learned that 1/3 of the labor force today is women, with 9 out of 10 women destined to work during their lifetime. Although the average church woman is a high-school graduate, the pattern is changing— 140,000 women are receiving degrees from institutions of higher learning. There are 2½ million women in the professions with some 3000 in federal and state legislative bodies and approximately the same number in foreign government services. Almost 2/3 of church membership are women—yet many churches have no women on their official board. Woman outlives man; therefore she outnumbers man. She is beneficiary to 80% of all life insurance and has a majority of the franchise as a voter.

After someone stated, "Woman's place is in the home — why doesn't she go back to it", it was observed that the whole of American economy would fold up if all women should observe this advice.

All this should cause a woman to take a deeper look at the power she holds in her hand. She should be humbled as she makes her decisions. Are these Christian decisions for the glory of God and not her own?

Drama at Purdue

One of the dramas was entitled "Construction", depicting a group of people from all walks of life, quarreling amoug themselves, yet trying to decide what to do with the construction material all about them.

"Surely", they said, "this material was left here for us to use." After many and varied ideas the stronger willed of the group convinced them they should build a wall to protect them from outside dangers and evils. Both Mrs. Conservative Christian (Thou Shalt Not) and Mrs. Socially, wealthy, yet seemingly Christian, who didn't approve, kept themselves aloof from Sally, a woman of the world, and thought the two men of different race should provide the labor for the building of the wall, while they provided the brains.

The teenagers obviously didn't respect the law or care for cops and sneered at discipline, yet would fight for each other (freedom). In this manner they set out to build the wall.

Then, the Master Planner came. He looked about and said, "The material I left here is not meant to build a wall but a bridge, a bridge to all people of all nations, to serve and help one another. How can you build a wall and shut out others just for your own protection when the rest of the world is in the same danger?"

Some held back, weakly; others shrugged their shoulders; but others spoke audibly, "No, no, we need a wall; we need protection. You are trying to deceive us — away with you." Railing, they drove the bridge builder back with an onrush of insults, clamped his body to a cross, raised him for all to see, slowly turning it around, leaving only the empty side — depicting that He came down to live among us to show us how to build bridges with our resources — bridges instead of walls of destruction.

Our decisions must be Christ-centered. Are we nailing Him to the cross daily by our decisions?

C.W.F. GIVING

The C.W.F. at Forest Grove used its meeting in August for the purpose of receiving a **memorial** offering.

According to the Church Newsletter, this memorial will be in honor of something we wish soon to forget—rummage sales.

"It is hoped that in this way our giving through C.W.F. will make up for what has been made in the past by the rummage sales and that eventually there will be need for neither the rummage sale nor the "memorial" offering in its 'honor'."

Hermiston to Build

The new building of Hermiston's First Christian Church will cost an estimated $250,000. The construction site is at West Highland Avenue.

The edifice will be built in three separate units, beginning with the sanctuary, which is designed to hold 320 persons. Behind the sanctuary will be the business offices, classrooms, the choir room, and balcony.

Also included in the plans is a small chapel seating about 24.

Included on the lot is space for a 50 to 100-car parking area, with lawns to the south. Willard Cromwell is minister to the Hermiston congregation.

GROUND BREAKING for the new building of the First Christian Church in Hermiston: W. D. Neill, one of the oldest members of the church, and father of Ralph Neill, wielded the golden shovel brought to him by his two great granddaughters, Jackie and Jerrie Connor. Behind them are John Rex Harmon, chairman of the board, John Cermak, and Troy Griffin, co-chairmen of the building committee.

GROUND BREAKING

For Woodhaven Christian Home at Columbia, Mo., October 29, 1961

The National Benevolent Association of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) takes great pleasure in announcing the ground breaking ceremonies of the Woodhaven Christian Home for exceptional people on October 29, 1961.

This new ministry to retarded and crippled children and a few adults with special needs marks another significant milestone in the 75-year history of the National Benevolent Association's expanding ministry. Since 1 out of every 31 children born are exceptional in some way, it is through this Woodhaven Home that the church will further expand its ministry. It is anticipated that the new Home will be partially operating in 1963. We invite all our friends to be present on this historic occasion in Columbia, Missouri.

The Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships approved $3,141,-809 for benevolence operation needs for 1961-62, which does not include the capital funds needed. They approved $3,-466,301 for operational needs of NBA and the Homes for the year 1962-63, not including capital dollars for benevolence.

The Council of Agencies approved for the "Decade of Decision" asking for capital funds for benevolence $276,881 for the year 1961-62, and $308,828 for the year 1962-63. These capital funds for benevolence will be used for the expanding programs at the Homes and for the national program.

Churches and individuals are urged to send their Decade Capital gifts now for building construction at the various Homes, and for other Brotherhood causes' expansion plans to be moving along.

A RETIREMENT HOME

A committee has been formed to investigate the possibilities of a Retirement Home for members of the Christian Church and Churches of Christ.

Are you interested in a retirement home for yourself or your spouse?

Would you favor a home with a view, in the Turner area?

If you are interested and wish to discuss this please get in touch with—

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Milton-Freewater Sends Two to Quadrennial

Mrs. Ray Geissel and Mrs. Frank Ritchey of the First Christian Church in Milton-Freewater were chosen delegates to the Quadrennial Assembly of the CWF at Purdue University. Mrs. Ritchey will act as usher and Mrs. Geissel as hostess.

The minister, George Knox, and his family spent a week at the Little River Christian camp, where Rev. Knox served as conference pastor. During the minister's absence all the floors of the parsonage were sanded and waxed.

The pulpit was served in his absence by Lee Wahlstrom, a N.C.C. graduate, and by Truman Robbins, former minister, now at Tillamook.

The Robbins family was in Milton-Freewater also for the wedding of Wanda Durham and Bruce Warnock. Mr. Robbins performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Knox. At noon a large group of friends met at the church for a fried-chicken dinner honoring the Robbins family.

Al Boschee, a Milton-Freewater boy and a N.C.C. graduate, received a $1,500 scholarship from the order of Eastern Star. He is presently a minister and a student at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis.

The women of the church held a successful rummage sale in which they raised $600 for missions.

Wife of Ray Heckendorn Dies in Auto Accident

Mrs. Mary Louise Heckendorn, 30, and her daughter, Marsha, 9, were killed in an automobile accident near El Paso, Texas. The deceased woman was the wife of Rev. Ray Heckendorn, formerly minister to the Christian Church at Dayton, Oregon. He also served the church at Sisters.

Rev. Heckendorn, his son Mark, 11, and daughters Christine, 7, and Catherine, 5, were hospitalized in El Paso. Their injuries were termed "non-critical."

The family was returning to their home in Eastland, Texas, where Rev. Heckendorn is pastor of the First Christian Church. Police said that Mrs. Heckendorn apparently fell asleep at the wheel in the early morning hours.

LIGHT

Two kinds of effective materials are especially designed to help Christian Churches examine and evaluate our churches, department by department, congregation by congregation.

The Effective Church Audio-Visual Series* is a special filmstrip kit casting light for your staff on proven methods and procedures of departmental operation. The eight black and white sound filmstrips support the functional departments of the church — *Christian Action and Community Service, Christian Education, Evangelism, Membership, Property, Stewardship, and Finance, World Outreach, and Worship. Mr. Smith and the Effective Church* is a sound filmstrip in color illuminating the effective operation of a functional church program to the entire congregation. *$59, complete set; individual departmental filmstrips, $7.50 each; Mr. Smith, $10. Rental, $2 each; Mr. Smith, $3.

Decade of Decision Kit* throws light on your church's ability to develop a more significant local and world witness; gives resources for next ten years. *93A688, $3.

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First Christian Church in Portland Again Shatters Record;

Giving May Reach to Top Six in Nation

In the Disciples of Christ brotherhood year ended June 30, 1961, Portland's First Christian Church once again shattered its record of one year ago in missionary giving. In the Year Book report filed with the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, the church's statistician disclosed that the giving of all organizations and individuals in the church totaled $67,930.62 for world outreach causes, $42,791.86 of which was given to brotherhood causes cooperating in Unified Promotion.

This record not only shatters all previous giving records of the church but tops such records by about 60%. Based upon giving of other churches in the brotherhood in the year ended June 30, 1960, it should rank the Portland church among the five or six top churches of its brotherhood throughout the United States and abroad.

Harold Glen Brown, who also serves as President of the Oregon Council of Churches, is the pastor and is assisted in the program by Arnold E. Remer and James L. Sampson, associates.

This also raises the church's per capita world outreach giving to $43.46 per member, which exceeds the national average for the brotherhood for giving to local needs as well as outreach causes. This also sets a new record for per capita giving for the local church.

This financial record marks a cumulative growth in the last five years when missionary records have fallen each year. While these records have been broken, the church has likewise grown in membership from 1336 members in 1956 to 1563 in 1961.

North Bend Likes Every-Member Canvass

The First Christian Church at North Bend, which inaugurated the every-member canvass last year under the leadership of budget director Leonard Farr, has found the method successful in improving the yearly income of the church.

In th fiscal year ending June 30, tithes and offerings were $12,595, a definite increase over previous years. Of this amount, $3,324.37 went to world outreach. Although the proposed budget was not met, the trend is so favorable that the proposed 1961-62 budget has been increased by $3,000.

The CWF also gave $641 for world outreach in the last fiscal year.

Len Fishback, minister at North Bend, reports 45 additions for the past year, 20 by baptism, and 25 by transfer.

Mrs. Charles Dennis, reporter

Children's Workers Hold Retreat

Two areas of concern for children were studied at the annual retreat for children's workers. Miss Grace McGavran, well known children's authority, was guest leader on the subject of "Fears of Children". Reverend Don Rogers, new minister of the church in Pendleton, was guest leader on the subject of "The Church".

Mrs. R. E. Moshier, Mrs. Merritt Parks, and Mrs. Russel Adams were the leaders of the retreat. Mrs. Elva Holden arranged displays. Reverend Ray Biggers led the opening devotion; Mrs. Warren Moore was registrar; Mrs. Gerald Morrison was responsible for fellowship; Mrs. R. E. Moshier was song leader, and Mrs. Merritt Parks led the closing devotions.

Leaders from Ft. Rock, Hood River, Portland, Forest Grove, Silverton, Dallas, Lebanon, Eugene, Myrtle Creek, Springfield, Vancouver, and Longview, Washington, were present.

This year children's workers of American Baptists were invited as a result of cooperation in the joint Laboratory School held earlier this summer in Salem.

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Corbett Church Makes Extensive Improvements

During the past year the Corbett Christian Church has completed a new Fellowship Hall, including a modern kitchen, two restrooms, three classrooms, and a pastor's study. The Fellowship Hall has shuffle board, foursquare, and a big checkerboard designed in the floor. The present sanctuary has recently been tiled, and a church library has been established.

It is the hope of the congregation that they will be able to build a new sanctuary in the near future. A consultation with the Board of Church Extension is planned.

Recently Fred and Mildred Evans of Medford's First Christian Church conducted a two-week evangelistic meeting which resulted in six responses by confession.

During the four years of Guy Armstrong's ministry the church has grown in strength, spirit, activity, and number, with 99 responses.

Turner Christian Camp

While earlier plans were made for separate boys' and girls' camps at Turner, it was deemed advisable to combine the camps for the 1961 season. A fine camp resulted with 34 boys and 48 girls registered. Rex Jones, minister of the Harrisburg Christian Church, was the director of the whole camp while Mrs. Ray Smith of Willamina had charge of the girls' section. Robert Church, minister of the Holley Christian Church, was the camp dean, and Mr. Lawrence Britton of Turner Memorial Home was the chapel speaker.

The North Willamette District Christian Men sponsored the camp, and the district vice-president, Dick Freeman, served on the faculty for the boys' section. He shared in camp life during the mornings while working the swing shift on his regular job near his home in the Mill City area.

Jim Stewart, Homer Todd, and Miss Sharon Robertson of N.C.C. were members of the camp faculty, as were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hake (now serving the Mill City Christian Church), Mrs. Eva Humphreys of Stayton, Mrs. Sheridan Arnold of Sweet Home, and Mrs. Glen Lyda of Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. Nephi Porter of McMinnville and Mrs. A. A. Mosier of Newport served as additional house parents for the boys and girls. Ed Dewees was business manager of the camp, and Mrs. Dewees and Mrs. Dick Freeman were the cooks.

Ed Dewees, Reporter

AMONG THE MINISTERS

Since the last issue of the **Oregon Christian,** there have been several changes in the ministry in Oregon. On August 27, Don Rogers, who has been minister of Christian education at First Church, Eugene, began his ministry at the First Christian Church in Pendleton.

On September 3, Thomas Shelton began his ministry at the First Christian Church at Bend. Mr. Shelton has served as minister at Whitefish, Montana; Columbia Falls, Montana; and he has just finished graduate work at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Indiana. While there, he served the Rocklane Christian Church in Greenwood, Indiana.

David Nutting, for the past four years minister of our First Christian Church in Lebanon, has resigned, effective October 1. He will become the minister of the new Woodmont Christian Church near Seattle, Washington.

Wallace Prowell, minister of First Christian Church, Newport, has resigned, effective September 20.

On October 8 at the morning worship service, Mr. Ray Biggers, minister of the Allison Park Christian Church in Eugene will be ordained to the Christian ministry.

Don Rogers Accepts Pendleton Pastorate

"Rev. Donald B. Rogers, for the past two years minister of Christian education at the First Christian Church in Eugene, has accepted a call to become minister of the First Christian Church in Pendleton. He assumed his duties in Pendleton on August 27.

Rev. Rogers received his BA degree from the University of Colorado, where he also worked toward his MA degree. He received his Master of Religious Education degree from Princeton Theological Seminary. He also attended Brite College of the Bible at Texas Christian University working toward his ThM.

Rev. Rogers was chairman of the Adult Committee of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society in 1960, member of Committee of Education and Religion of Oregon Council of Churches in 1960-61, and is at present a member of the Education Commission of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society. z

He is married and has two sons, Scot (age three years) and Gregory (one year). His wife, Connie, is an accomplished musician and has a Bachelor of Musical Education degree from the University of Colorado".

Lynchwood Members Picnic at Campsite

Nearly fifty people attended Lynchwood's "first annual" Sunday school picnic at the new campsite near Mountaindale on Sunday, July 30. After a very hearty potluck meal, they were entertained by Julius Walter and his accordion, with all the adults joining in on old-time songs. The young people waded and built rock dams in Dairy Creek. Everyone is looking forward to next year's picnic.

The Christian Women's Fellowship of the Lynchwood Church met for its second time, August 4, for election of officers and assignment to groups. At the first meeting, July 7, Mrs. Blewford Osburn and Mrs. Clarence Smith were among the 24 who were present when a nominating committee was appointed. Four groups of 8 or 9 members each have been formed, and new officers are Mrs. Raymond Helseth — president; Mrs. M. L. Ellsworth — vice president and service chairman; Mrs. Sylvia Forward — secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Claude Baskett — study chairman; and Mrs. George Rice — worship chairman.

The congregation at Lynchwood hopes to be in its new building by September 15, with the dedication set tentatively for October 1.

First Church Salem "Adopts" Migrant Camp

The First Christian Church in Salem has "adopted" a migrant camp and is setting up a daily Bible school and a family night once a week, plus the usual "Thrift Sales." The youth are particularly helpful in the whole program of the camp.

A total of 42 young people from the Salem church attended camp or conference this summer.

Church members at the opposite end of the age scale from the youth are active also. At the recent semi-annual Golden Age Party at the church there were about 50 attending.

Wayne Greene is minister of the First Christian Church.

FIRST OFFICERS of the newly formed Metropolitan Christian Men's Fellowship are (left) Larry Baird, minister at Gresham, pastor advisor; (in white shirt) Robert Nelson, Mallory Avenue Christian Church in Portland, president; (right) Frank Middleton, St. Helens Christian Church, vice president. Second from left is Henry Searle, executive secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society. Not present when the picture was taken was Ray Lehr, Gladstone, secretary-treasurer.

C.M.F. NEWS

First activity for the new Metropolitan Christian Men's Fellowship, Oregon's newest district CMF, will be a Fall Rally and dinner at the First Christian Church in Portland, October 9. The theme for the program and for the year's activity will be "Committed Christian Men."

It is hoped that all 33 Christian churches in the greater Portland area will have men at the October meeting and that all will participate in the new men's organization.

F DAY

F Day is Fellowship Day, September 17, for youth in the Christian churches across the continent. Resources for studying the nature and mission of the church and the youth fellowship will be found in FOCUS and TACK, available from the Christian Board of Publication, Box 179, St. Louis 66, Missouri.

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